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Hongkong, April 28, 1897. 540

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Hongkong, August 5, 1897. 1546

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to Mr. J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Deceased, begs to inform the GENERAL  
PUBLIC that he will act as Trustee  
on the Business of AUCTIONEER  
and COMMISSION AGENT at the Pro-  
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J. M. ARMSTRONG Deceased.

Hongkong, August 4, 1897. 1583

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Hongkong, August 5, 1897. 158

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FLOORS IN STAUNTON AND ELM  
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Hongkong, July 22, 1897. 2185

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Hongkong, July 26, 1897. 1305

To-day's Advertisements.

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TUESDAY, August 10th.  
'H.M.S. PINAFORE.'

WEDNESDAY, August 11th,  
Les Cloches de Corneville.

THURSDAY, August 12th,  
by special request  
'LA MASCOOTTE.'

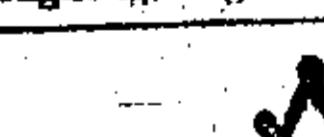
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,  
August 13th and 14th,  
'THE MIKADO.'

Keep your Eye on your Father.  
Keep your Eye on your Father.

MONDAY, August 16th.  
'The Princess of Trebizonde.'

Late Trams will leave for the Peak 15 minutes after each Performance.

C. A. POLLARD, Manager,  
Hongkong, August 10, 1897. 1585



PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF  
HONGKONG, No. 1,105.

A Regular MEETING of the above  
A LODGE will be held in the  
FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on  
MONDAY, the 16th August, at 5 for  
5.30 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN  
are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, August 10, 1897. 1587

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND  
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The Co.'s Steamship  
*Chelydra*,  
Captain R. Cass, will be  
despatched above on  
SATURDAY, the 14th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, August 10, 1897. 1591

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MONTHLY SERVICE.

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FOR THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNS-  
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despatched for the  
above Ports on FRIDAY, the 20th instant,  
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Electricity throughout.

A duly-qualified Doctor and a European  
Stewardess are carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
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Hongkong, August 10, 1897. 1590

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship  
*Frey*

will be despatched about  
the 26th August.

For Freight, apply to  
MELCHERS & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, August 10, 1897. 1440

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNKES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND  
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The Co.'s S.S. *Opacck*, having arrived  
from the above Ports, Consigned of  
Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods  
are being landed at their risk, into the  
Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON  
WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Kowloon,  
whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the  
Goods have left the Godowns, and all  
Claims must be sent to the office of the  
undisputed before noon, on the 17th

August, or they will not be recognized.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, August 10, 1897. 1548

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship  
*Tundavil*,

Captain HANNAH, will  
be despatched as above  
on THURSDAY, the 12th August, at 4  
p.m., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, August 10, 1897. 1549

THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet  
*Thames*, will be despatched on THURSDAY,

the 13th August, with Mails for the  
United Kingdom, Europe, and equi-  
tional beyond, via Friends, to the  
Straits Settlements, Netherlands Indies,  
Burma, Ceylon, Asia, Egypt, Malta,  
and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in  
posting the Mails.

ALL broken, chafed, and damaged Goods  
are to be left in the Godowns, where they  
will be examined on TUESDAY, the 17th

August, at 2 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and  
any Goods remaining in the Godowns after  
the 17th August will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
HOLIDAY, WIRE & CO., Agents.

No Freight, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

London, August 10, 1897. 1592

THE CHINA MAIL.

## Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessel.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Australian Ports.	Omi Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaihatsu	Aug. 30, at 4 p.m.
Bremen & Ports of Cal	Bayern (s)	Norddeutsche Lloyd	Aug. 17, at 9 a.m.
Japan Ports.	Verona (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Aug. 13, at noon.
London, v. Ports of Cal	Thames (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Aug. 12, at noon.
London, v. Suez Canal	Pingouin (s)	Holiday, Wiss & Co.	About Aug. 18.
London, v. Suez Canal	Tantalus (s)	Butterfield & Swine	Aug. 13.
London, v. Suez Canal	Diamond (s)	Freighters, Matheson & Co.	About Aug. 21.
London, v. Suez Canal	Java (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Aug. 19.
London.	Euphrosine (s)	Archbold, Karberg & Co.	Aug. 17.
London, v. Japan.	Ernest Simon (s)	Macmillan & Co.	Aug. 18.
London, v. Ports of Cal	Holland (s)	Dodwell, Carrill & Co.	Aug. 18.
London, v. Suez Canal	Gloire (s)	Meichlers & Co.	Aug. 25.
London, v. Suez Canal	Glazier (s)	Siemens & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York, v. Suez Canal	Pro (s)	Siemens & Co.	Aug. 12.
New York, v. Japan.	Inde (s)	Siemens & Co.	Aug. 14.
New York, v. Japan.	Java (s)	Siemens & Co.	Aug. 14.
New York, v. Japan.	Kagoshima Maru (s)	Siemens & Co.	Aug. 12, at 6 p.m.
Shanghai.	Lyon (s)	Siemens & Co.	Aug. 12.
Shanghai and Kobe.	Modena (s)	Siemens & Co.	Aug. 14.
Shanghai.	Teekoo (s)	Siemens & Co.	Aug. 14.
Shanghai.	Chelydra (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Aug. 13.
Shanghai.	Hysdapse (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Aug. 12, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai.	Hsiang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Aug. 12.
Shanghai.	Hochim (s)	Dodwell, Carrill & Co.	Aug. 17.
Shanghai.	Taoma (s)	Dodwell, Carrill & Co.	Aug. 14.
Shanghai.	Lokang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Aug. 11, at noon.
Vancouver (B.C.)	Empress of China (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Aug. 10.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:	—
For SAIGON.	For Triton, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 12th August.
For KOBE, YOKOHAMA & SEATTLE.	For Kagoshima Maru, at 10 a.m., on Thursday, the 12th August.
For SWALLOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.	For Haikung, 10 a.m., on Thursday, the 12th August.
For SINGAPORE & SOURLABAYA.	For Hutton, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 12th August.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.  
Noon.—*Hyades* leaves for B'bay, &  
Noon.—*Empress* of China leaves for  
Vancouver (B.C.), via Amoy, Shang-  
hai, Yokohama, etc.

## DEATHS.

At the General Hospital, Shanghai, on  
the 5th August, ROBERT BRUCE O'NEILL,  
late 3rd Officer s.s. *Pelican*; aged 37 years.  
On the 2nd August, at No. 9, Soochow  
Road, WILFRID ARTHUR, the beloved and  
only son of J. CHAMBERS, aged three years  
and ten months.

At Karuizawa, Japan, on Sabbath even-  
ing, 25th July, PAULINE McALPIN, the  
young and beloved wife of the Rev. Lucy  
LITTLE, Xiangyang, and oldest daughter  
of the Rev. H. B. McAlpin and Mrs. Pauline  
McAlpin of Boston, of the Southern Pres-  
byterian Mission, Soochow; aged twenty-  
one years and six months.

The publication of this issue commenced  
at 5.50 p.m.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1897.

## General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, August 12.—  
Goods per *Nanhai* not cleared after 4  
p.m. subject to rent.

SATURDAY, August 14.—  
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The  
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Cor-  
poration, at City Hall.

Goods per *Russia* not cleared after 4  
p.m. subject

## THE CHINA MAIL.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL  
(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.)  
OUTWARD BOUND.—*Hawickdale Hall*, July 2; *St. Giles*, *Middleham Castle*, 6; *Alphonse*, *Lombard*, 13; *Glenfarich*, *Maria Rickmers*, 20; *Bruo*, *Iason*, Japan, July 23; *Lochay*, St. Ninian's, 27; *Dardanus*, *Leviathan*, Bengal, 30; *Gisela*, *Hertha*, *Friedrich Heinrich*, August 3; *Dorothea*, *Rickmers*, *Ernst Rickmers*, Elm Branch, Flintshire, Furness, 6.

HOWARDIAN BOUND.—*Telenz*, 2; *Sociedad*, 6; *Santa*, 13; *Sieb*, *St. Andrews*, July 23; *Ulysses*, *Wally*, 28; *Elizabeth Rickmers*, *Aladdin*, 30; *Caledonian*, *Thecla*, August 3; *Bentley*, Furness, 6.

VESSEL PASSED ANJER.

OUTWARD.—June 15.—British packet *Heathcote* for Hongkong, from New York Feb. 20, June 23.—British 4-masted barque *Bandera* for Nagasaki, from Delaware Bay March 18, June 29.—Gurman ship *Perry* for Hakodate, in Barry Dock, March 25, June 29.—American ship *Wm. H. Connor* for Shanghai, from New York March 24, June 29.—German ship *Kreiser* for Yokohama, from C. H. Allen for Yokohama, from New York March 15, June 29.—American ship *Identikit* for Shanghai, from New York March 17, June 29.—British 4-masted barque *Falls of Ettrick* for Anjer, from New York Feb. 20, July 2.—Norwegian barque *Colombia* for Bangkok, from Delagoa Bay May 28, July 2.—British ship *Wm. Tilly* for Nagasaki, from Philadelphia March 23, July 3.—British ship *Lord Wodehouse* for Yokohama, from *Pencau* Feb. 23, July 5.—British barque *Beaufort* for Hiogo, from Philadelphia March 24, July 9.—German ship *Richard Rickmers* for Singapore, from Cardiff April 2, July 12.—German ship *Kreiser* for Singapore, from Newcastle, N.S.W., May 23.

HOWARD.—June 24.—Italian barque *Maria Adelina* for Liverpool, from Singapore May 19, June 26.—British barque *Engelhorn* for Cebu City, April 15, July 12.—British ship *Sirera Segura* for Falmouth, from Saigon June 2, July 13.—British barque *Cinclus* for New York, from Singapore, July 14.—Hawaiian barque *Peekay Sney* for New York, from Manila May 23.

MAIL.

The P. M. s.s. *City of Peking*, with the AMERICAN MAIL of the 17th June, left Shanghai on the 9th August, at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 11th Aug.

The M. M. Co.'s *s.s. Lau*, with the FRENCH MAIL of 16th July, left Singapore on Saturday, the 7th Aug., at 9 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 12th Aug. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 9th Aug.

The O. & O. Co.'s *s.s. Doris*, with mails for San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai, on the 27th Aug.

The C. P. R. Co.'s *s.s. Empress of India* left Vancouver for Yokohama, on Monday afternoon, the 2nd August, and the P. M. Co.'s *s.s. China*, with mails for San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai, on the 5th Aug.

*News* Expected.—The P. M. s.s. *City of Peking*, with the AMERICAN MAIL of the 17th June, left Shanghai on the 9th August, at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 11th Aug.

The Austrian Lloyd's *s.s. Melusine* left Singapore for this port on the morning of the 5th Aug.

The P. & O. Co.'s *s.s. Bombay* left Singapore for this port on the 6th Aug., at 6 a.m.

The s. s. *Tekoa* left Singapore on the 7th Aug., and is due here on or about the 13th July.

The P. M. Co.'s *s.s. Maria Rickmers*, from Antwerp and Hamburg, passed the Canal on the 22nd July, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 13th August.

The O. & O. Co.'s *s.s. Palau*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the morning of 7th Aug., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, 12th Aug. The P. & O. Co.'s *s.s. Curria* left Bombay for this port on the afternoon of the 31st July.

The R. M. Line st. *Maria Rickmers*, from Antwerp and Hamburg, passed the Canal on the 22nd July, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 13th August.

The N. G. I. s.s. *Letimbro* left Bombay for this port on the 9th Aug., and is due here on or about the 26th Aug.

Latest Advice.

The N. P. Co.'s *s.s. Victoria* arrived at Yokohama from Tacoma on the 19th Aug.

Mr Detring is expected back in Tientsin before the port closes, and Mr von Hannen in the Spring.

The weather has been unusually hot at Hangchow, 105 degrees Fah. having been recorded in the Settlement.

Capt. Barstow's master's certificate has been suspended for five months in consequence of the recent stranding of the *Tokei Maru* near Suwa.

The railway between Tientsin and Peking and between Tientsin and Shantung has been damaged by the rain-storms and traffic interfered with.

THERE was a great fight in which 150 fishing-boats were engaged in the Inland Sea, near Moji, on the 23rd July. Noborii was killed, and the fight was stopped by police in a steamer.

At the Magistracy to-day, before Mr H. E. Wedderburn, Chong Fuk, boat builder, was charged with the murder of the coolie whose body was found at Taikotsu on Saturday by an Indian Police Sergeant. Mr J. C. Gedge appeared for the defence. Dr Thomson gave evidence that he made a post mortem examination of the body yesterday at the Government Civil Hospital mortuary. He said the body was much decomposed and had become rigid in a sitting position with the arms and legs stretched out. On account of the extent of the decomposition he could not make out any bruises on the body. The spleen was very much enlarged and ruptured. It weighed twenty-four ounces; a healthy spleen weighed from five to seven ounces. His opinion death was caused by hemorrhage and rupture of the spleen. Very slight violence would rupture the spleen; muscular exertion to avoid a blow might have occasioned it. A foreman of earth coolies said that about one o'clock on Saturday he saw the deceased being carried by a large number of coolies. Prisoner and three others caught him and proceeded to beat him. Witness interfered and was told the master did not interfere. After some further evidence this case was adjourned till to-morrow to allow of a plan of the ground being made out.

The Hongkong correspondent of the *New York Daily News*, writing on the Witchell case on the 31st July, said that the chances were not in favour of a conviction, and that there was a strong feeling that the system was to blame and not the men accused of receiving bribes. We thought the strong feeling was the other way, and that while much sympathy was expressed for the wives and children of the men implicated, no excuse is advanced for the actual acceptance of bribes. In fact, we feel so well how there would be any justification for such a diagnosis.

POSITION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE

steamer *Fausing* arrived at Nagasaki on the 2nd inst. from Portland, Oregon, U.S.A., her cargo consisting of 10,516 planks of timber.

Acting-Inspector Hannan has been promoted to the Inspectorship rendered vacant by the dismissal from the Police Force of Inspector Witchell.

The wreck of the *Birrell*, which Messrs Boyd & Co., Ltd., were trying for so many months to raise, is now to be blown up by the Customs at Shanghai.

AT the Magistracy to-day, two Chinese women were sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment each, with hard labour, on charges of kidnapping girls from Canton.

THE Inter-Company Team Challenge Shield of the Shanghai Volunteers was won on the 5th inst. by B. Company, which defeated the holders, the German Company, by 17 points—516 to 498.

THE French captain, Ronneaux, who was arrested on a charge of embezzling funds while acting as paymaster of the forces in one of the districts of Tonkin, committed suicide by hanging himself in his cell.

AT Shanghai on the 5th inst., Richard Henry Ryan, quartermaster of the P. & O. steamer *Thames*, was tried on a charge of manslaughter, it being alleged that he pushed a Chinaman into the river at Shanghai on the 10th July. Sir N. J. Hannen, Chief Justice, was judge, and there was a jury of five, who, after hearing the evidence, brought in a verdict of 'not guilty.'

THE Band of the West Yorkshire Regiment will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess this evening, the 10th August:—

1.—Overture..... *Die Feuerschule*..... *Ringier*.  
2.—Courtly Dance..... *Faless*..... *Ringier*.  
3.—Valse..... *La Bergerie*..... *Ringier*.  
4.—Romance..... *Frühstückswachen*..... *Ringier*.  
5.—Selection..... *Emile*..... *Verté*.  
6.—Selection..... *Gräfin*..... *Verté*.

Wm. G. Hayes, the Organist.

ASSASSINATION OF THE SPANISH PRIME MINISTER.

Don Antonio Canovas del Castillo has been murdered by an Anarchist at Santa Cruz. The assassin, who is an Italian, and has been arrested, fired three shots. The Prime Minister expired in an hour.

[The assassination probably occurred at Santa Agueda, a health resort in the north of Spain, where the late Prime Minister usually visited during the prorogation of Parliament.—Ed., C. M.]

WEATHER NOTICE.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

On the 10th at 11.25 a. m. Typhoon on manmade N. W. of Fouchow, seems moving N. W. At 11.30 a. m. The barometer has fallen on the E. coast of China and is still falling. The S. wind is strong. At 11.30 a. m. Considerable amount of pressure has occurred. Gradually continue step on the China coast generally. Forecast—fresh to strong S.W. winds; equally showery. Very strong S.W. monsoon in the N. part of the China Sea.

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Hongkong, July 29, 1897. 1497

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Hongkong, August 4, 1897. 1545

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